RICHMOND, VA., SUNDAY, MAY 20, 1906.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

KILLED HIMSELF BEFORE ARREST

Short In His Accounts. Irwin Tucker Shoots, Himself.

A PISTOL BALL THROUGH BRAIN

Closed Bank Without Explanation, But Left a Letter Saying He-Would Go to Europe or

Kill Him-

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA.. May 19.—
Twenty thousand dollars short in his accounts and with Chief of Police Reynolds
entering his room to arrest him. Irwin
Tucker, president of the Savings Bank
of Newport News, shot himself through
the brain this morning at 11:30 o'clock,
and in afficen minutes was beyond dan-

In fifteen minutes was beyond danr of prosecution on this earth. A builet
m a 33-calibre revolver entered the
ht temple, passed entirely through the
in and lodged just inside the skin at
l loft temple.
The Savings Bank of Newport News,
private institution not affiliated with
a clearing house association, having
posits aggregating nearly \$50,000, closed
doors this morning at 10 o'clock,
estident Tucker ordered the bank closed
thout making any explanation, but left President Tucker ordered the bank closed without making any explanation, but left on his desk a letter addressed to the directors, in which he referred to his defalcation, and said that he proposed either to go to Europe or kill himself.

He also said that if he got to Europe, and the affairs of the bank could be adjusted so that he could come back to Newport News, an advertisement in the Paris edition of the New York Herald would reach him.

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s soon as Dr. Carter Perkins, a ditor of the bank and one of the largest
ekholders. saw Mr. Tucker's letter,
wens for Attorney R. M. Lott, and
latter hurried to the police station.
warrant charging Mr. Tucker with
larceny of 19,000 was issued, and
of Reynolds proceeded to the presit's room in the bank building. There
s some talk with the janitor about as
key, which the man in the room
lently heard. As Chief Reynolds
ned the door there was a report, and
officer thought that he was being
d upon.

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Then Tucker reeled and fell to the cor, with blood cushing from the fearall wound in his hand.

Dr. S. W. Hobson, a close friend of the cushing except watch the number old do nothing except watch the number. Life was extinct before fifteen minites had passed.

Crowd Before Bank.

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The closing of the bank had created considerable excitement, and when it became known that the president was dead a great crowd of people gathered before the front doors of the institution. For several hours no definite information concerning the standing of the bank could be obtained. The directors held a tecting immediately, but as yet no statement has been given out. It is understood, however, that \$29,000 will cover the president's defalcation, and that the bank probably will be able to pay 75 cents on the dollar to its depositors and creditors.

Life Insurance.

ng the papers of the deceased were \$30,000, and it is understood that most of them are collectable.

noon. The verdict simply said. "On the 19th day of May, 1900, the said Irwin Tucker came to his death as a result of a pistol shot fired by his own hand." Newport News Lodge, No. 315, B. P. O. Newport News Lodge, No. 316, B. P. O., Elks, have taken charge of the body and wil teonduct arrangements for the funeral. Mr. ucker's father, John Tucker, a retired lawyer, of Washington, has been notified and is expected to arrive here to morney morning. It is probable that the body will be interred in Norfolk, the former home of the deceased.

His Personality

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Irwin Tucker was one of the pioneer citizens of Newport News. He was city editor of the Norfolk Virginian Pilot in 1891, but during the summer of that year he gave up that position to come here and engage in the real estate and insurance business, in which he was very successful for several years. He was active in politics and for a number of years was chairman of the local Democratic committee. From 1853 until 1897 he was postmaster for the city. Since that time he has been prominent in business circles. He was about 39 years old and unmarried.

A leader in social affairs, Mr. Tucker

ried.

A leader in social affairs, Mr. Tucker had a wide circle of friends in this social at the Poethontas Chub, an exclusive social-domestic organization, and was a member of the local lodge of Files. Since his death it has been said that he could have borrowed enough money to meet his shortage with case.

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POPE SUFFERING FROM GOUT; SOME ALARM FELT



ROME, May 19.—Although the condition of the Pope is not grave some apprehension is felt at the frequency of the gouty attacks through exposure to cold, disordered digestion and fatigue. The present attack seems to have had its origin through the Pope's walking to St. Peter's last. Sunday for the beatification of Julie Billiar. Returning to his appointment from St. Peter's His Hollness was quite warm, and in passing through the thick walled Vatican court yards, where the atmosphere is damp, he refuseed to put on his cloak. When the first symptoms of the trouble appeared the Pope refused to rest and take proper care of himself and insisted on giving long and fattguing audiences to all the dignitaries of the Dominican order. The gout, which previously had only attacked his foot, has now reached the Pope's left knee, which is considerably swollen and gives him acute pain. Considerable inflammation is present. The temperature of His Hollness to-day was 99. Dr. Lapponi visited his patient again this evening.

Distressing Accident By Which

Pretty Little Mary Hayes

Loses Her Life.

Flow, of Blood Brought Death

Almost Instantly.

the hands of small boys, little Mary Virginia Hayes, the seven-year-old

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Hayes, the favorite of an entire neighborhood, lies in her shroud at the home of her parents, at No. 1325 Taylor Street, accidentally shot to death last night by her eleven-year-old brother. Eugene.

The greatest excliement reigned in the vicinity of Taylor and Randolph Streets last night shortly after seven o'clock, when it became known that the pet of

Died in An Instant.

one, little Mary Hayes, had been

CUTTER WATCHES LAD KILLS SISTER MONA. PASSAGE WITH PARLOR BIFLE

Dominician Revolutionists Leave St. Thomas for Santo Domingo.

GUNBOATS ORDERED TO SAIL DEATH QUICKLY FOLLOWED

General Morales Denies Any Carotid Artery Was Severed and Knowledge of Reported Organization.

(By Associated Press.) SAN JUAN, P. R., May 19.—The United

States revenue cutter Algonquin has been ordered to watch the Mona passage mingo. The Algonquin will return here and report the result of her search. The gunboats Newport and Nashville have received orders to sail for Santo Do-

General Morales, former President of Santo Domingo, will sail on the next French line steamer leaving here for St. Thomas, D. W. I. He denies knowledge of the reported organization of an expedition at St. Thomas, but says he will go back to Santo Domingo as soon as he receives advices that a general uprising against the government of President Caceras is imminent. Ho predicts a certicus disturbance.

General Morales admits his hability to accomplish what he desires to do in Porto Rico because of surveillance by enemies. He says he will oppose military occupation of Santo Domingo by the United States to the extent of taking up arms.

WOULD FACE DISASTER, ORDINANCE CHIEF SAYS

Rear-Admiral Mason Calls Attention of Secretary of Navy to "Desperate" Situation.

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Native of Norfolk.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORIFOLK, VA., May 19.—Irwin Tucker was the son of Captain John S. Tucker, who was Mayor of Norfolk from 1876 to 189a. His mother was Miss trwin, daughter of Henry Irwin, of this city. Captain Tucker was a lawyer, formerly of the firm of Taylor, Todd and Tucker, and later Tucker and Old, and he is now Hving in Washington.

He was the only surviving child of the late Mayor Tucker, his sister, Mrs. Blenry Poor, of Baltimore, who was married in Norfolk, having die two years 1890, Mr. Tucker's aunts were Mrs. Sue Walnwright and Mrs. Emily Harriy, of Baltimore.

R. A. Walnwright, a cousin of Mr. Tucker, left Norfolk at 2 o'clock his afternoon for Newport News, to represent the family in connection with the funeral arrangements, until the Arrivit from Washington to-morrow morning of Ex-Mayor Tucker. d new withstores, from Yale to-day by the score of 57 1-2
points to 46 1-2. Three dual meet records were broken-the two-mile run, the 120yard hurdles and the running broad jump.

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MILWAUKEE, May 19,-A special dis

says:

"Four known dead, a score or more
persons missing, hundreds of families
homeless, several million dellars worth
of property burned, four towns wiped

Niagara, Wis., 300 population; all burned
Towns damaged: Northland, Cornell.
Antoine, Spring Valley, Kingsley, Woodlawn, Foster City, Sands and Metropolitan.

All day long refugees and trainmen have been coming in, telling tales of misery and suffering, as well as heroism and grave deeds that were enacted while the fire was at its height.

The burned area extends from a point ten miles out of Escanaba to Talbot, on the south; to Channing and Quinnesse, on the west; to Sands on the north, and back to near Escanaba. While this territory has not been swept clear, great tracts have been laid waste, especially toward the north, where the fire started yesterday morning.

Toward noon the wind began to blow from the west, thirty miles an hour. By 4 o'clock the small fires seemed to have

gathered in front of the stricken home at the corner, and eagerly tried to learn the particulars of the accident.

At the home last night, the entire family was prostrated with griof and the screw of the brother who had done the shooting was uncontrollable. His sister had been his close companion. When Eugene was anywhere around, the neighbors were accustomed to say that Mary was not far off.

(Continued on Sixth Page.)

THE WEATHER.

The circumstances of the accident were peculiarly sad. It seems that Eugene Hayes and a ten-year-old playmate, named Leland Seal, were shooting at a target in the former's backyard. Mary was standing close at her brother's shoulder watching his shooting with the greatest interest. Eugene had just relised Forecast: Virginia—Fair and cooler Sunday; Monday fair; light to fresh northwest winds. North Carolina—Fair Sunday, preceded by rain on the coast; Monday fair; light to fresh northeast winds.

Conditions Yesterday. Highest temperature yesterday

Conditions in Important Cities.

Miniature Almanac.

FRICK'S ASSAILANT FREE AFTER 14 YEARS IN PRISON

Four Dead. Many Missing, and Millions of Property Gone.

TALES OF MISERY AND SUFFERING

Five Counties Partly Devastated in Northern Michigan Peninsula-Scores May Have Perished in Flames. Danger Believed to Be Over.

Ravages of Great Forest Fires in West

TOWNS DESTROYED.

TOWNS DAMAGED. Northland, Cornell, Antoine, Spring

Known dead, 4: missing, 20 or more; hundredo of families homeless; five countlee partiy devastated; 100 square miles of territory fire-swept; property loss, several million dollars.

persons missing, hundreds of families homeless, several million dollars worth of property burned, four towns wiped out and a dozen more partly burned, five counties partly devastated and 10 square miles of territory fire-swept. This is the result in the Northern Michigan peninsular of the forest fire that raged yesterday and last night until it spent it self to-day. For the time being the danger is over unless a new gale arises to fan the embers into flames.

Loss Very Great.

Peter Lafond, a cook, was smothered in a lumber camp near Katos. Three children are dead at Quinnesee, Mich. They got separated from their parents while the village, was burning and perished. Scorescof homesteaders say woodsmen are missing, and some may here perished in the flames. The towns destroyed are: Tathot, Mich., 300 population; few houses escaped.

Quinnebec, Mich., 400 population; only one house left.

Saunders, 150 population; wiped out. Niagara, Wis., 300 population; all burned.

Towns. damaged: Northland, Cornell.

Fanned By Gale.

Hundreds of prosperous farms were burned over, driving the occupants to the nearest towns for shelter. Catite and stock and houses and barns and their contents were left for the flames. Farmers loaded wagons hurriedly with personal effects and ran heart to the flames. There was little that human effort could do to check the flames. The heat was intense, and the smoke slifting. The smoke threw women and children into

1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2,	target in the former's backyard. Mary was standing close at her brother's shoulder watching his shooting with the greatest interest. Eugene had just raised the gun to, his shoulder when his sister caught sight of a rat running down the alley in the rear. Giving a gleeful cry of joy, she darted off in pursuit, unmidful of the rifle that was poised directly in her path. The grief-stricken little fellow pulled the trigger and she fell, the bullet having penetrated the work and severed the carotid artery. Hood spurted from the wound, and the paralyzed brother stood helpless; then rushing in the house, he fell on his mother's lap and cried out that he had silled his sister. She was at the child's side in a moment, and with the help of a neighbor, carried her into the house and laid her on the bed. The ambulance was 'phoned for, but Mary had breathed her last long before it arrived. Coroner Taylor was soon on the scene, and he sinted hast night that the killing was purely accidental. The dead girl was the daughter of Mr-James M. Hayes, engineer at the new pump house at the New Reservoir. Three children survive—Henry, Fugene and an infant, Alberta. The family is shocked by the sudden sorrow that has visited them, and they lose in this the second within a few	Forecasts: Tight to fres northwest winds. North Carolina-Fair Sunday, precede by rain on the coast; Monday fair; light to fres northwest winds. Conditions Yesterday. Richmond's weather was clear and ho Range of the thermometer; 9 A. M
	lose in this the second within a few months, another child having died a short time ago. Harvard Wins. CAMBRIDGE, MASS., May 18.—Harvard won the annual dual track meet	Jacksonville 40 50 Clear Key West, Fla 70 84 P. cloud Mobile 78 92 Cloudy New Orleans 71 88 Cloudy Nortolk, Va. 70 86 Rain Rateleff 72 92 Rain Tampa, Fla. 80 88 Clear



WILLIAM AND MARY PRISON GUARD STUDENT DROWNED

Neither He Nor His Companion Mr. T. D. Campbell, Night Guard Was Able to

OVER HEAD IN DEEP HOLE BROODED OVER TROUBLES

Fellow Students Made Futile Effort to Rescue Young Man.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILLIAMSBURG, VA., May 19.-J. S. Singleton, aged eighteen years, of Peytonsburg, Pittsylvania county, a studen 12:30 o'clock to-day in the creek just

with another student named Campbell.

further down the stream, and then ran to the college to raise the alarm. The hands at the mill went to the spot and succeeded in dragging the body from the water, about half an four after he went down. Soon after four physicians and a crowd of students arrived on the spot. Everything possible was done to kindle the small spark of life into a fiame, the physicians working over him until 4 o'clock, but overy effort proved futile. His body now lies in the college infirmary. A telegram has been sent to his parents, notifying them of his untimely end, and the body will be taken home to-morrow.

Singleton was seen at twelve o'clock crossing the campus, laughing and joking with his companions. In less than an hour afterward, his body lay cold in death on the river bank. The suddenness and sadness of his death has caused a great shock to the student body and enat a gloom over the entire college. Singleton was one of the most popular students in the college, having endeared himself to all by his ready wit and noble qualities. He was spoken well of by his professors, and was considered one of the brightest etudents in college. He was a second year man, and would probably have taken his degree in another year. In all literary matters, he took a prominent part, He was a consistent member of the church, and had always shown himself to be a thorough sentleman.

Senator Rison, a member of the Eastern State Hospital Investigating Committee, in speaking of him, said, "He was a hoy of fine qualities of mind and heart, and was very popular at home." Senator Rison is an intimate friend of the boy's father.

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The deceased was a son of Mr. J. L. Singleton, a prominent merchant of Peytonsburg. He has many relatives in Richmond and was connected with some of the most prominent families of North Carolina, being a near relative of Giovernor Glenn, of that State. His parents have been notified of his death, and are expected to arrive to-morrow morning to accompany the corpse hane. To-night, the body will be watched over by the students. In Bloody Tangle With Rival.

A negro named John Johnson got in a bloody tangle with a rival of his and got a deep cut in his back for his trouble. Dr. Pitt treated the man at the First Police Station, taking six stitches in the

at Penitentiary, Driven to Deed By Worry.

Condition Serious, But Has a Fighting Chance for Recovery.

penitentlary, attempted to commit suicide

somewhere. Mr. C. C. Scott, one of the guards, who had been weighing beef for the morning meal, finally run up in the guards' sleeping quarters, which are directly above the bookkeeper's office, and there found Mr. Campbell, sitting up in bed with his night clothes on and moaning with pain.

Dr. C. V. Carrington was called, and found that the wounded man had shot blimself with his 38-calibre Smith and Wesson revolver, the builet entering fust below the heart, and coming out the rear of the left side, about six inches from its entrance. Dr. Carvington is afraid the builet pierced — lower lobe of the lung. The builet, after leaving the body, passed turough two heavy mattresses and spent liself with a small dent on the floor.

Mr. Campbell was remove, to a vacant ward in the infirmary, where he talked freely of his attempt at death, and said that he could ndf stand the nervousness and business worry he had been undergoing. He is an earnest man with steady habits and is well liked by the penitentiary officials. They all regret very much that he should have attempted his fife.

BOAT CAPSIZED AND

Boy Forced Sister to Release Hold

Himselt.

(By Associated Press.)

CHATTANOGA, TENN., May 19.—
Five persons, all connected with one of
the prominent families of James county,
Tennessee, were drowned to-day in the
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Tennessee River. The catastropic occurred near Norman, a village about two
miles north of Chattanooga. The dead
are: Mrs. Edgar Miles, of Chattanooga;
Mrs. Sim Eldridge, Miss Mary Eldridge,
Dewit Eldridge, Abel McGill.
Jesse Eldridge, a had of 18 years, escaped
by clinging to the overturned hoat. The
boat capsized on account of a sudden
squall in midstream. Mrs. Miles clung
to her brother, Jesse Eldridge, until in
desperation he forced her to release her
hold. She went to the bottom, ffid. he
escaped.

Report Special Accountant Boudar Creates Excitement.

HOT DISCUSSION OVER ADOPTION

Interests. MR. MERCER ALONE

ESCAPES CENSURE

Declares Conduct of Business

Was Adverse to State

Mr. Cole Indignant and Declares Charges Should Not Be Published-Chairman Sadler,

> Who Was on Board, Favors Its Adoption.

Boudar, expert accountant, employed by the committee to examine the ac-"Upon a careful dissection of the

the interest of the State and of the patients, and the conditions that have prevailed uninterruptedly through many years, indicate clearly a laxity in the performance of duty, by the Board of Directors, by the Executive Committee, by the commissioner, by the superintendent and by the stateward."

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., May 19.—The greatest sensation of the Eastern Hosto-day, when, after a morning spent in

lio-day, when, after a morning spent in listening to uninteresting statement, Mr. Houdar, the expert accountant, who has been examining the books of the institution, was placed upon the stand an asked to report as to his findings.

Mr. Boudar's report was listened to with intense interest and created the utmost excitement. In the audience were Dr. Foster, the superintendent; Colonel Lane, the commissioner of hospitals; Mr. Cole, of the executive committee, and Mr. Brooks, the steward, all of whom were censured by the report.

Neither Dr. Foster, Colonel Lane nor Mr. Brooks remarked upon the Boudar report, but Mr. Cole was outspoken in his disapproval, saying that it was improper for the charges to go before the public, and suggesting that it was improper for the newspapers to print the findings.

Of the executive officers only Mr. Mer-cer, the cierk, escaped censure, he being especially mentioned as deserving com-mendation. Among the striking sentences found in the Boudar report are the fol-

contracts at a price in excess of their respective bids." Articles were bought in Williamsburg and elsewhere at much higher prices than contracts already filled or contracts made, but goods undelivered, the differ-

ence in some instances reaching 50 per Bills Approved.

The superintendent approved all of "The supermendent approved an observation of these bills for the face amount, nowith-standing the fact that he had deducted the discount and changed the figures in the steward's endersement, before approved, in two other cases of bills of the same firm."

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A lively scene followed the reading of the report when Mr. Ould moved that it he "accepted." it be "accepted."

Senator Rison declined to vote for as acceptance and was supported in his contention by Messrs. Pulliam, Dunn and Roberts. Chairman Sadler and Mr. Oule spoke warmly in favor of "acceptance," while the other members of the committee desired to use the words "receive and file."

Senator Rison said during the arguement:

"If we 'accept' this report we judge the